

873—4.38(17A) Self-disqualification. Any individuals presiding over contested cases before the industrial commissioner shall disqualify themselves from conducting a hearing on the merits or deciding any contested case in which such individual has substantial prior contact or interest or is so related to or connected with any party or attorney thereto so as to give, in the opinion of the person presiding, even the appearance of impropriety for such individual to conduct such hearing or decide such case.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 17A.17.